

Stop exposing personal data

When local news stations in Harris County, Texas spread that a teacher had named one of her students with the superlative of "Most Likely to Become a Terrorist," the Internet got ahold of the story and went into a frenzy.

Proclaimed Social Justice Warriors began to leak personal information on the teacher that had committed the act. The sensitive information included her address, phone number and email. This is not uncommon as

Twitter users often ask the online community to "do its thing" in order to expose the person in question.

Using social media, private information can be obtained and spread very easily,. This can lead to people getting angry and feeling obligated to expose someone as a punishment.

You can log into Twitter any day and see people getting upset with each other and going way too far by delving into each other's personal lives.

There is no circumstance where it is okay to ever post anyone's personal information online. You should never spread anyone's address, school, phone number or any other private information, no matter what they have done.

Sadly, some people use social media to spread hateful

messages.

Although it is disgusting and we may not like it, these people have a

First Amendment right to say whatever they want to say, even if it

does hurt our feelings and makes us upset.

Freedom of speech is a part of the U.S. Constitution, and nobody

should do anything to try to hinder anyone else's rights.

Still,

personal information that could threaten the safety of another should

never be disclosed online with the intention of harming another

individual.

When you post someone's personal information online, you could be

possibly be giving it to someone who wants to do them physical harm.

Responding to violent behavior with further violent behavior will not

solve any issues. The greater goal should be to educate and change the

person involved in the problem.

You could get someone suspended from school or get them fired from

work. This has happened in many instances, like the 18 year old girl

in Texas who was fired last November for condemning Hillary Clinton

supporters.

A thief, or someone with worse intentions could use what you posted to

get into someone's house or harass someone. You could somehow be

implicated in a crime when all you were trying to do is reprimand

someone for their words.

Even if you do not get in trouble legally, think about it morally. Why

would you want to deal with the guilt and responsibility of someone

you do not like getting harmed?

Lastly, what is the point? You got upset with someone and you put

their information out. What did you get out of it? Nothing.

It does not fix what they did or erase what they said. All you have

done is make yourself out to be a bad person, too. Two wrongs do not

equal a right.

Throughout your life, people will upset you with what they say, do and

believe. There is nothing you can do to change that fact.

Posting the

personal information of these people will not help you or them.

The person will not learn that what they are doing is wrong if you

attempt to bash them or expose them. Instead, you should try to tell

them that what they are doing is wrong and try to educate them on why.

Sometimes, the public can misunderstand and set the blame on another

person. The wrongly accused person's information cannot be taken back

once it has been posted.

However, this does not mean that the people who have committed these

negative actions should not face repercussions.

Contacting authorities should still be necessary, but the wide spread

of uber confidential or personal information is not needed.

Everybody makes unintelligent mistakes over the course of their lives.

Teens often do not realize their mistakes until much after.

When

personal information leaks, the person's life is forever impacted.

They will never be able to live the life that is morally correct

without being reminded of their past.

People have the right to be angry over the actions, but it is important to know that a single tweet can alter another person's life, forever.